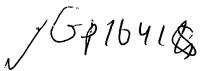
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- 4. Eight (8) References;
- 5. Check No. 558817 in the amount of \$180.00; and
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, enclosed are references relating to the above-identified application. For the convenience of the Examiner, the references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each reference is enclosed herewith. A copy of the International Search Report issued for the corresponding International application also is enclosed. The references listed on the International Search Report were previously made of record in the above-identified application. Therefore, those references are not listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and copies of those references are not enclosed.

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